

Preliminary Amendment
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REMARKS

The application has been amended to clarify the dependency of claim 6. Entry and consideration of this Amendment and an early and favorable action on the merits is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,



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APPENDIX

VERSION WITH MARKINGS TO SHOW CHANGES MADE

IN THE CLAIMS:

The claims are amended as follows:

6. (Amended) System according to claim 1, wherein said spatial sector is a spherical crown sector.

"System and method for remote laser welding"Abstract of the disclosure

Remote laser welding system comprising a laser beam generator and an optical head (1) including a mirror orienting unit (3, 4) and a focusing device (6), to orient and focus the laser beam (P) respectively inside a spatial sector (T). The mirror orienting unit (3, 4) is also arranged to orient the spatial sector (T) on a vertical plane and the optical head (1) can be translated vertically.